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Whereas, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives recognize the significance of the institution of marriage as a vital foundation of American society and wholeheartedly believe that a successful union can be achieved only through a loving relationship of mutual honor, respect, and trust; and

Whereas, a period of five wondrous decades has passed since Bill Stewart lovingly took the hand of his beautiful bride, Fran, during a solemn ceremony in October 1958, in St. Louis; and

Whereas, in the years since that heavenly day, Bill and Fran Stewart have had the pleasure of watching their family grow to include two sons, Jimmy Stewart of Doniphan and David Stewart of Poplar Bluff, and one granddaughter, Misty Stewart of Little Rock, Arkansas; and

Whereas, Bill Stewart has compiled an impressive record of achievement that includes working for the United States Postal Service and being the former owner and operator of Stewart's Egg Farm, the Northend Motel, the Hillview Motel (now known as Current River Inn), and the Days Inn of Doniphan, of which he had half interest; and

Whereas, a devoted wife, loving mother, and exemplary homemaker, Fran Stewart further distinguished herself by helping her husband with his endeavors; and

Whereas, members of the First Church of God, Bill and Fran Stewart have enjoyed many hobbies and pastimes over the years, a few of which include their yard, Fran's flowers, going to the current River, and fishing for Walleye in the fall; and

Whereas, Mr. and Mrs. Stewart of Doniphan will commemorate the resplendent occasion of their Golden Wedding Anniversary with a special celebration hosted by their loved ones on November 1, 2008, at the Doniphan First Church of God:

Now, therefore, be it resolved that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-fourth General Assembly, join in extending our most hearty congratulations to Bill and Fran Stewart and in wishing them only the best as they continue their journey walking hand-in-hand along life's path; and

Be it further resolved that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution for Mr. and Mrs. Bill Stewart.

Offered by	
	Representative Mike Dethrow
	District No. 153

I, Rod Jetton, Speaker of the House of Representatives, Ninety-fourth General Assembly, Second Regular Session, do certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House Resolution No. 4477, adopted October 27, 2008.